

## The Lord Bless You

Read Luke 24:44-53

"And he lifted up his hands, and blessed them, and it came to pass, while he blessed them, he parted from them, and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy."

Jesus was blessing his disciples as he ascended into heaven. It was with his hands outstretched with his pronouncement of good upon them that the disciples had their last view of his visible presence. And it was in this way they thought of him when he was unseen by them. And that is the true picture of our ascended Saviour. That is the way the Christian should think of Him every day. For his hands are lifted day and night to bless all those who will receive his blessings.

To become aware of the blessings he wants to give, it is necessary that we be reminded of what Jesus said when he was here on this earth. It was necessary for those who walked with him from day to day to be reminded again and again. The sorrows that came to them were all because they forgot what he had told them. We forget more easily than they did. We need to be reminded. We need to hear and read the gospel again and again. Because "faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God." Let us read the gospel more in order that we may be more aware of his blessing.

Besides remembering the word of God we also need to understand it to realize the greatness of the blessing he bestows. He who spoke the word must enlighten us in the true meaning if the joyous message is to become really ours. And Jesus seeks to do that for each one. We read, "Then opened he their minds that they might understand the scriptures." Minds opened means minds freed from prejudice, open to truth, and Spirit guided to understand.

Not long after the ascension a blessed promise was fulfilled. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples. This is the comforter of whom Jesus had spoken to them earlier. He comforts by continuing to open the minds of the disciples to understand the scriptures. He helps them to see themselves as they really are and then helps them to see Jesus as their Saviour. He applies the atonement of Christ to the lives of individuals. This makes for joy and power.

And as we look at this Saviour with His hands outstretched to bless us we hear the glorious promise, He is coming again. This promise is a daily blessing to those who have learned to know Jesus. It gives them joy and confidence to go on in faith while they await this glorious event.

In the meantime the Christian has the privilege of telling others of the things they have seen and experienced with Jesus. "Ye are witnesses of these things." There are so many who do not know that God's object with man is to bless him. And they need to know this. There are so many that need to know that there is a Saviour from sin. They need to know that there is a Saviour at the right hand of the Father in heaven who is interceding for their salvation. He has all power in heaven and earth. And he uses all means short of coercion to bring men to repentance and faith so he can give them the remission of sins that he has bought for them with his own death and blood.

Tell others of this Saviour whom to know is life eternal. Introduce him to those who do not know him. Then they, too, may learn of his blessing and experience this in their lives.

— J. Selmer Stolee.

## LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

A wooden barracks church contributed by Lutherans of America has been received by the Evangelical Lutheran parish of Steinbuhl in Nuremberg as "proof to us of the reality of the one holy Christian Church, created by God through His Holy Spirit in the midst of this world."

In a formal statement sent to the Hilfswerk of the Evangelical Church of Germany, the parishioners of Steinbuhl requested that their thanks and appreciation for the gift be forwarded to the donors in America.

"The Evangelical Lutheran parish, Steinbuhl, Nuremberg, has received the emergency church made, and given by our Lutheran brethren in America," the statement said.

"In gratitude to God, we give thanks also to our Lutheran brethren, who, in this emergency church, have given a temporary home to the parish. As soon as permission for building is given and the rubble has been cleared away, it will be erected on the north side of the former Church of Christ. We hope this may be soon.

"The Steinbuhl parish is mostly made up of workmen. The number of people before the war amounted to 26,000; at the occupation in April, 1945, the number was 800; there are now 4,000. Our Church of Christ, which had 2,000 seats, and our large parish hall, built in 1928, are very pleased at having a space for church activities, through this emergency church.

"That it is a gift from our Lutheran brethren in America is a proof to us of the reality of the one holy Christian Church, created by God through His Holy Spirit in the midst of this world."

Maximum use will be made of the barracks church by the Steinbuhl parish. Three services for adults and a children's service are held every Sunday. Devotions and religious instruction are conducted daily, in addition to Bible study, mid-week services, and mid-week devotions. Almost every evening is devoted to meetings of various auxiliary groups, choir practice, etc.

Cost of a barracks church is estimated at about \$5,000. A layman of the United Lutheran Church has given funds for the erection and equipment of one of these emergency structures as his contribution to Lutheran World Action.

Dr. C. E. Krumbholz, chairman of the administration committee of Lutheran World Relief, Inc., has been named to a seven-man interdenominational committee to facilitate the entry of foreign refugees into the United States under the provisions of President Truman's directive of last December.

The committee, appointed by the Commission for World Council Service, includes representatives of the Congregational Christian Churches, Methodist Church, Northern Baptist Convention, Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Protestant Episcopal Church, and Reformed Church in America.

The National Lutheran Council recently agreed to loan the services of its Division of Welfare, of which Dr. Krumbholz is secretary, to handle details connected with the settlement of European Lutherans in this country.

## BY FAITH

1. We are saved—Acts 16:31.
2. We live—Romans 1:17.
3. We walk—II Corinthians 5:17.
4. We are justified—Romans 5:1.
5. We resist Satan—I Peter 5:9.
6. We defeat the world—I John 5:4.
7. We are preserved—I Peter 1:5.

## AN INTERESTING LETTER FROM ONE OF OUR MISSIONARIES

Pastor G. Morstad of Calgary sends us a letter from Miss Lydia Hanson, missionary in China. It is a letter to her mother and because of the inflation in China it cost her \$150.00 to send the letter. She also states that when she was under medical care because of a run-down condition she had to follow a prescribed diet. Among the food items she mentions, she had to pay \$8,000.00 for a one-pound tin of Klim. The following are extracts from her interesting letter:

"Greetings in Christ!

"My joy at being in Chunking is increasing more and more with the lengthening of my stay. The Bible classes and Vesper services at Sa Ping Pa University continue to be well attended and the students are showing an increased personal interest in seeking and accepting Christ. The Police College is an unceasing occasion of joy to me. I have never found teaching the Word of God more spontaneous and easy than when I stand before that group of young men. As though to fill my cup to overflowing this past month I have had the privilege of teaching Bible classes at the political institute at South Hot Springs...

"The interest of both students and authorities in having Christian Bible study groups is most encouraging. Arrangement has been made to have the classes right on the campus instead of in the city one mile away. The home of Generalissimo Chiang is opened for the afternoon and evening Bible classes, and a room in this lovely home is provided for me because I have to stay over night. The Christian fellowship group that I mentioned above is the enthusiastic group behind it, but there is also a general interest shown by the crowding of the 'Counsel Room' each time. Last time there were fifty in the afternoon and sixty at the evening meeting. Keen, alert, young people, future leaders in local, provincial and national government offices as well as foreign representatives. Pray for these young people!... This month will complete the work that I am to do at Central University and the Political Institute... There has been five and a half months of presenting the Saviour to them through the study of the Gospel of John... They are having examinations now and in a few weeks will go to various parts of China to take their positions as officers in charge of Alien Police. This is a new department since the repeal of extra-territoriality in China, and no longer do the foreign powers like Britain, America, France, etc., have concessions in which they have authority and responsibility for law and order... These past months, mainly in appreciation for the benefit of the English that the classes had done for the students, the Chancellor of the Police College put me on the regular faculty and insisted that I take the same payment as other teachers. Imagine being paid for Bible teaching in an institution of this sort! You see I had two Bible classes and two English conversational classes each week and they were all put into the regular schedule. They treated me royally, sending a sedan chair to the boat to meet me and again having the chair awaiting me when classes were over and so I would not have to walk to the ferry.

"Even with this consideration I was unprepared for the farewell party they gave the last day I was with them. The class room desks were arranged in banquet style and as I entered some sixty young men in uniform stood and welcomed me with a warm hand-clasp. A square table was

## Topics of Interest

### A BOY'S POCKETS

A boy just naturally collects things and stores them away for possible use. Who has not marvelled at the surprising assortments in his bulging pockets? We wonder how he ever picks up some of those articles and treasures them. But he does. Later on he will take them out again—and play with them.

But we have not seen his most important pockets. They are on the inside. A boy's mind is a most spacious container—chuck full of pockets. Into them he pokes scraps of knowledge; there, too, go strings of impression. Words men say and forget the same day, are stored away for years in his young mind. What he sees is quickly registered on an inner film and filed away as treasures in his soul. Sooner or later he will take them out, put them together, rearrange them—play with them. They determine the pattern of his life.

Men are lonely boys grown tall. They still put things in their pockets, but their greatest activity now consists in playing the game of life with the treasures they pull out of them. And the kind of game they play depends on what is in those pockets. "The good man out of his good treasure bringeth forth good things: and the evil man out of his evil treasures bringeth forth evil things."

Parents, what is your boy filling his pockets with? What does he find in the home? The fruits of the Spirit bringing forth fruit after their kind making your son a blessed bequest to future generations? Or, a godlessness to be perpetuated in him and posterity?

Where do you send your boy with those hungry pockets? To the dance hall or pool room crowd, the actors from Hollywood, or the smutty back-lane gangs? Is it not time for us as parents to outline some constructive program for our boys?

Daddy, as your son's natural companion, you're the key man. Do you know that Sonny has a pretty good idea of what is in your pockets? He wants to be like you and fill his pockets with the same things. To Christ, the Bible, and the Church—there fill your life with the treasures of heaven. —For your own and your boy's sake.

—A. K. H.

### What Do You Exclaim About?

Giving thanks always for all things (Eph. 5:20).

Some murmur when their sky is clear,  
And wholly bright to view.  
If one dark speck of cloud appear  
In their great heaven of blue.

And some with thankful hearts are filled

If but one ray of light—  
One streak of God's good mercy gild  
The darkness of their night.

—From R. C. Trench.

"If I had a thousand souls and they were worth anything, I would give them all to God."—David Brainerd.

arranged in the centre at which stood waiting the dean of the Alien Officers Department, Dean of Studies of the whole institution of 2,000 students and four other officers in charge of the police and military. Personally such an expression of gratitude would mean little, but as representative of Christ and the work of the Christian work in China, I appreciate it much for it is an expression of open-heartedness for the Gospel and Jesus Christ and shows their willingness to have it preached in their midst."

—Lydia Hanson.



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Our readers will observe from the issues from the new printer that there is less space. With the increased price of paper and services it is almost prohibitive to print any inserts as formerly. For that reason we must ask that any news item sent be very brief. Long accounts of weddings, funerals, special events must be cut down to set forth the salient facts only. We encourage the sending in of current news from the district. Thank you, pastors for your Church Bulletins.

### Michelfelder Tells Hoover Of Conditions in Reich

Geneva—Former President Herbert Hoover was told here by Dr. S. C. Michelfelder, director of the Material Aid Division of the World Council of Churches, that "Americans must not be misled on the food situation in Europe by casual visitors who may splurge on black market food."

"The plight of lower income groups in Europe is desperate," Dr. Michelfelder informed Mr. Hoover. "They have barely managed to survive hitherto through the flow of supplies from overseas. If American supplies fail, unparalleled disaster is certain."

Mr. Hoover, who is visiting the Continent to study physical relief needs as honorary chairman of the President's Emergency Famine Committee, conferred at a luncheon with Dr. Michelfelder, who is European commissioner of the American Section of the Lutheran World Convention.

Expressing the conviction that "disaster can be prevented only by reducing food consumption voluntarily to share with the needy," Dr. Michelfelder declared that American churches "must lead in demonstrating their willingness to co-operate in the self denial of essential foods in order to save the starving millions of Europe and Asia."

### THE COLOMBIA MISSION

The Canadian Branch of the Colombia Evangelical Lutheran Mission will be held, God willing, at Kingman, Alberta, Pastor G. J. Ostrem's charge, on Tuesday, June 4. This will be an all day meeting. The first session opens at 10.30 a.m. with a prayer session followed with the opening address at 11 a.m. Business session in afternoon at 2 p.m. We wish to stress the need of a good attendance at this meeting. Decisions will have to be made which will vitally affect the future of the field and missionaries in Colombia, and which will also affect the future of Celmosa. —A. L. Hoveland, president.

The great Canadian physician, Sir William Osler, was lecturing one day on the effects of alcohol. "Is it true," asked a student, "that alcohol makes people do things better?" "No," replied Sir William, "it just makes them less ashamed of doing them badly." —Mr. C. E. Wescott, in Coronet.

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Culled from the Parish Papers that come to our desk, we are printing news items from the district. There is a great deal of activity in our church and we are glad to learn of events of general interest and inspiration to our readers.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BY MAIL

"Because of the growing demand for Sunday School lessons by mail, patterned after the plan used so successfully in our Church in Canada, the Board of Parish Education at its meeting in Minneapolis, Minn., February 27-28, 1946, voted to make Sunday School by Mail item Number One in its program for 1947-48. It is estimated that printing and distribution of lesson helps, office supplies, office clerk and Director's salary will cost \$4,600.00.—Lutheran Teacher.

### CAMROSE LUTHERAN COLLEGE

Graduation Service for a large class will be held Friday evening, June 7th, at Camrose Lutheran Church. On the day following the Alumni will have its annual meeting followed by a picnic at Dried Meat Lake, and a banquet in the evening.

Chaplain Walker recently discharged for chaplain service spoke at chapel and lectured to the Christianity classes on Thursday, May 2nd.

The College quartette accompanied by Mr. Marken visited many points in southern Alberta during the Easter holidays.

### ZION LUTHERAN

The choir of Zion Lutheran gave concerts at Bethel Lutheran, Elbow, Green Valley, and S.L.B.I. recently. There was a capacity audience at each place. The choir also gave a concert in Westminster United Church, Saskatoon. About 400 attended.

Miss Margaret Braathen, parish worker in Zion since last September, assumed her new duties as parish worker for the Board of Home Missions May 1. Her first work will be at Winnipeg.

Fourteen members were received into membership in Zion Lutheran on Palm Sunday. Of these, three by adult confirmation, and the rest by transfer.

Miss Charlotte Vikse of Edmonton assumed her duties as parish worker in Zion Lutheran May 1st.

### GENERAL NEWS

Pastor Emil Walker, returned Canadian chaplain, shared in the morning service at Camrose Lutheran Sunday, May 5.

A sacred concert was given by Camrose Lutheran choir in Camrose Lutheran Church, Sunday, May 5th, immediately following the International Luther League Day program by the Camrose Luther League.

In Trinity Lutheran Church, April 23, an event of interest took place when Hazel Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Nelson of Calgary became the bride of William Huddle, eldest son of Mrs. Edith Huddle and the late William Huddle of Claresholm, Alberta. Pastor G. Morstad officiated.

An impressive conclusion came for a class of three adult confirmands (Avel Soderstrom, James Moor, and Harvey Cardiff all of Armena, Alta.) at Scandia Lutheran Church recently. After a period of ten week's instruction two of them were baptized at the evening service Good Friday. The confirmation took place Easter Sunday. It has been a time of real joy for the pastor, R. O. Olson, to meet with these confirmands from week to week.

Bethlehem congregation of the Armena parish will manifest much busy activity at the close of spring work. Plans have been made, funds collected for putting in a basement and making general alterations and improvements on the church building.

The Camrose Lutheran L.D.R. served May Day breakfast on May 4. This is becoming an annual doing in Camrose Lutheran. A great number attended.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Weldon Parish Record reports that Sunday School will be held every Sunday in Weldon, Lake Park and Norden. An adult membership class has also been organized. "The purpose of this class is to prepare adults either for Baptism or Confirmation into the Church."

### EDMONTON CIRCUIT

The Edmonton Circuit will hold its convention at Holden Lutheran Church, G. J. Ostrem's parish, June 21-23. Evangelist E. L. Scotvold, guest speaker. Text, Rom. 10, 1-13.

Installation services for Pastor E. O. Walker were conducted in the Wetaskiwin parish by District President Mars A. Dale on May 19.

Southern Alberta Circuit Convention will be held at Queenstown, Milo Lutheran Church, May 31, June 1-2. Theme: "Seasons of Refreshing," text, Acts 3:19. Convention speaker District President Mars A. Dale. Installation of Pastor Henry Haugen at Milo, June 2, 11 a.m., Claresholm, 7.30 p.m.—G. Morstad.

Prince Albert Circuit W.M.F. convention will be held in Prince Albert on Saturday, June 1, commencing at 10.30 a.m.—Mrs. T. K. Tomtene, secretary.

### CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENT

The seventeenth biennial convention of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America will be held June 11-18 in Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota. It will be a convention with a full and an important program.

#### Tuesday, June 11

9.00 a.m.—Communion service.  
10.30 a.m.—Opening service.  
2.00 p.m.—Joint session with Women's Missionary Federation.  
President's message.  
Message of president of W.M.F.  
Secretary's report.  
4.30-5.00—Vesper service (every day except Sunday).

7.30 p.m.—Report of Board of Trustees.

#### Wednesday, June 12

8.15 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Meditation—Old Central (every day except Saturday and Sunday).  
Afternoon or evening—Report of the Planning Commission.

#### Thursday, June 13

The challenging causes of Christian education, Home and Foreign Missions, Charities and Pensions will occupy a large part of the time of the convention.

#### Friday, June 14

Consideration of change of name of Church.  
Saturday, June 15  
8.00 a.m.—Special service.  
Election of Theological Professor.

#### Sunday, June 16

7.15 a.m.—Service at Muskego Church.  
2.30 p.m.—Centennial observance at Minneapolis Auditorium.  
Music: Twin City Choral Union.  
7.30 p.m.—Memorial observance in honor of the men and women who fought and died for our country in the recent war.  
Music: 2,000 voice Choral Union of the Church.

#### Monday and Tuesday, June 17-18

Other important business to be transacted. These are just a few of the outstanding events of the convention.

### THAT KEEPETH ISRAEL

By MARTY MARTY  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

My prayers are cadenced to the clock at night,  
My breath is measured to its tonal tick,  
Though what it measures is a thought of fright  
(The antithetic role of dead and quick)  
To some who cannot hope, like me in One  
Who governs time; who cannot take their sorrows,  
Their prayers to Him when day is done;  
For these the clock anticipates sad morrows,  
I hear the clock, when I awake at dawn,  
Still sound, and know then that my timeless Keeper  
Has never from me for a moment gone,—  
Has numbered every breath of His safe sleeper.

### EASTER MORNING PASSING

Mr. Andrew Gullikson Asbjornhus of Earl Grey, Saskatchewan, passed away at Regina Hospital on Easter morning. He was born at Snarum, Norway, January 1, 1871. He came to U.S.A. in 1892 and later to Canada in 1904. He was married January 18, 1928, to Miss Anna Kristine Ihlen. There are four sons and four daughters, one grandchild, a brother and sister in Norway, and one sister in Canada.

The body was laid to rest in Lunner Cemetery after service in Lunner Church, Pastor T. J. Langley officiating. There were many floral and other offerings.

### S.L.B.I. Seeks to Expand

This is being written the day after the dust storm of April 26. Few things are as depressing as a raging dust storm. Yet the plans of the Kingdom of God in its various phases are not dependent on depressing occurrences. God's command is "Enlarge the place of thy tent" (Is. 54:2). S.L.B.I. needs enlarged facilities to carry on its work. More class room space is needed, as is more dormitory space. It is hoped to increase the number of teachers to enable even higher standards of work to be established. More teachers means that more office space is needed. Certainly our school should have a least a gymnasium room for physical training activities.

In order that these hopes can be realized, S.L.B.I. needs financial gifts. At this writing our treasury is very low. The method that has been always employed to raise funds is to tell God and our friends about our needs. Occasional reports indicate that some friends give us less because as a result of direct solicitations they have given more to other worthy causes. May God bless every worthy appeal that is made. Yet we add the prayer of the hymn:

"Lord, I hear of showers of blessing,  
Thou art scattering full and free!  
Showers the thirsty land refreshing;  
Let some drops descend on me—  
Even me.

—G. O. E.

### BIBELEN

#### Virkningene er den beste prøvelse

Den beste prøvelse er den som de troende kan gi forklaring paa.  
Hvad virkning har Skriften utøvet paa dem?

Har den smigret deres behagsyke, nedrevet deres dydsideal, næret deres egenkjærlighet eller tilintetgjort deres haap om et bedre liv?

Ingenlunde.

De finder i Gud, saaledes som han aapenbarer sig i denne bok, deres Far og Ven.

Hans retferdighets veier er for dem de mest opløftende og foreldlende, saa at de er istand til at forlate sig paa ham i deres streben efter det som er edelt og godt, og altid faar de bestyrkelse paa deres tro. Fra dag til dag kan de for egen del se at Guds løfter er sande, og at hans makt indfrier dem.

Guds ord formaar at vekke et ekko i vort bryst.

Denne bok er alvidende og allestedsnærværende, lik den aand som indbleste den. Den kjender os ut og ind og kan aapenbare vore hemmelige tanker. Den maa være guddommelig; ti den formaar at anslaa saadanne hemmelige strenger som alene han kjende der fra først av dannede vort hjerte.

Han har iaktatt saa nøiaktig hver uregelmessighet i dets mekanisme, at hvad der beveger sig derinde i dette øieblik ingenlunde kan bedra ham. Og han taler ogsaa derom som kun en kjender kan gjøre.

Bibelens aapenbaring møter altid vort behov og beroliger vor frykt. Vi mener ikke intetsigende behøver eller frykt for verdslige bagateller, men den dype fryktelige trang i et sind der er nær ved at fortvile paa grund av en knugende erkjendelse av begangne feiltrin.

Den er en bok til salighet for dem som ferdes paa det store, dype hav, hvor smaating er sat ut av betraktning.

Den er en ledestjerne for de hjerter over hvilke fortvilelsens nat har lagt sit mørke. O, uforlignelige sandhetens aapenbaring, dersom du ikke kom fra Gud, hvorfra skulde du da være kommen? Dersom alt hvad du forteller os er en drøm, gladelig vilde vi drømme den drøm om igjen, eller dø i vor slummer.

Hitindtil har vi fundet alle dine lærdomme sande med hensyn til vort indre liv, og vi kan ikke andet end bekrefte denne sandhet.

C. H. Spurgeon.

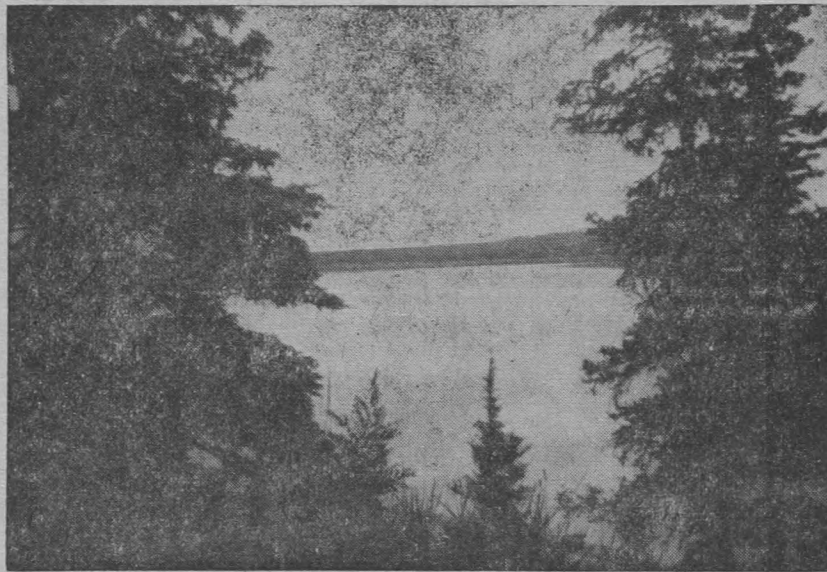


# COME YE APART AND REST AWHILE ... WITH CHRIST AT BIBLE CAMP ...

## 1946 BIBLE CAMP INSERT

In spite of rising printing costs, we again venture to present articles and pictures promoting the Christ-centred work of our Bible Camps. We expect the costs of printing to be taken care of by donations from the various Bible Camps of the district. Should you desire extra copies of this Bible Camp insert, write to G. Loken, Outlook, Sask., stating the number of copies you can use. If you are a Bible Camp worker, and you are not yet familiar with the Luther League Bible Camp Handbook, you may order this valuable handbook at the price of 15c from the above. Let us post this insert in our church, local store, post-office, etc., so that we may encourage even more of our youth to attend the Bible Camp this summer.

—G. L.



View of Christopher Lake from the faculty cabin  
on the hill

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ly spiritual, and well-balanced if they are to be a spiritual force in our Church. There must be much prayer for guidance that every camp may be truly a Bible Camp.

(2) Camp deans and committees must pay very close attention to discipline and supervision. Every camp committee is urged to use the counselor system.

(3) Recognizing the great contribution that each pastor makes to the life at camp, it is urged that every local pastor accompany his own young people to Bible camp.

(4) A well organized and carefully planned recreational program is an essential part of a successful Bible camp. More attention and careful study and preparation should be given to the promotion of this program und-



EVANGELIST S. FAUSKE



MISS MYRTLE LARSON, D.D.R.  
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Circuit Camps.



MISSIONARY P. STOLEE  
at Swift Current and Southern  
Alberta camps.

## FAUSKE'S CANADA SCHEDULE

July 1-7: Nelson Lake Bible Camp of Yorkton Circuit.

July 9-14: Hastings Lake Bible Camp, Camrose and Edmonton Circuits.

July 16-23: Saskatoon Lake Bible Camp of Peace River Circuit.

July 25-28: Canada District Luther League Convention at Moose Jaw, Sask.

## 1945 Bible Camp Sets Record

(Adapted from Youth Issue of  
Lutheran Herald)

Reports showed that despite wartime travel conditions ninety-two camps were held in our Church last summer, with a total attendance of approximately 15,200 campers. This showed an increase from sixty-seven camps with a total attendance of approximately 11,000 campers in 1944. In Canada district our eight Luther League camps reached well over 1,000 of our young people. Several camps were forced to close registration early last summer because they were filled to capacity. Thus, several hundred young people more would have attended camps had the facilities been adequate.

Several new, beautiful Bible Camp sites have been purchased this past year and will be added to the many excellent camps already owned by groups in our church. This will make it possible for a larger number to attend camp next year. "God is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think." (Eph. 3:20).

Members of the committee elected by the Board of Directors of the Young People's Luther League voted to emphasize the following principles to all Bible Camp committees and workers for the coming year:

(1) All our Bible camps must be kept absolutely Bible-centred, Christ-centred, thoroughly Lutheran, deep-

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## Lutheran Bible Camps

Circuit	Camp Dates	For Further Information, Write:
Moose Jaw	July 5-15	Rev. Sigmund Bue, Macoun.
Swift Current	July 2-11	Rev. M. B. Odland, Swift Current.
Saskatoon	July 1-13	Rev. A. K. Haugen, Outlook.
Yorkton	July 1-10	Rev. J. B. Haave, Rose Valley.
Prince Albert	July 9-17	Rev. J. T. Dahle, 419 11th St. E., Prince Albert.
Edmonton	July 9-16	Rev. Ivar Saugen, Viking.
Camrose	July 9-16	Rev. A. M. Vinge, Camrose.
Southern Alberta	July 15-23	Rev. G. A. Morstad, 202 8th St. W., Calgary.
Peace River	July 16-23	Miss Delores Melsness, Valhalla Centre.
Sylvan Lake	July 22-28	Rev. C. A. Bernhardson, Camrose, Alberta.



PASTOR MARS A. DALE  
Canada District President, at  
Saskatoon and Swift Current  
Camps.



EVANGELIST E. L. SCOTVOLD  
at Southern Alberta Camp. He  
will also visit the following circuits  
this summer: Camrose, Edmonton  
and Swift Current.

er a competent director, with a special effort to have all campers participate. The "fun" program must never overbalance the genuine spiritual tone and atmosphere of the camp, however.

(5) Suggestions for the operation of a spiritually well-balanced Bible camp are outlined in the new Bible camp manual entitled, "With Christ at Bible Camp." Every Bible camp officer and worker is urged to study this manual, which is now available from the Luther League office.

(6) Every Bible camp is urged to emphasize the Pocket Testament League and give campers the opportunity through personal contact to join this large family of daily Bible readers.

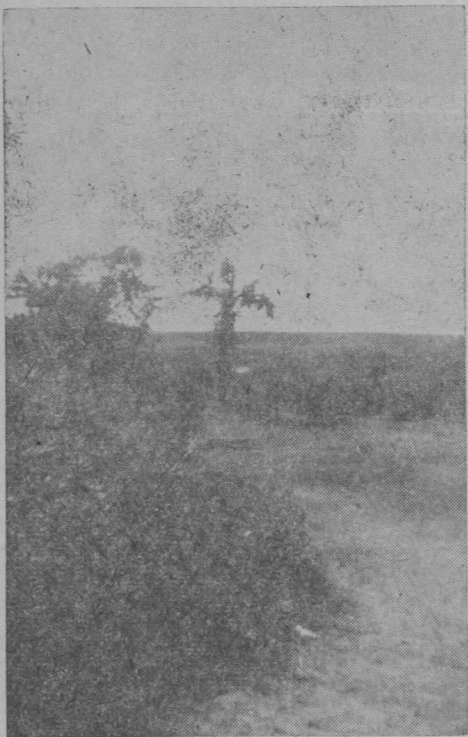
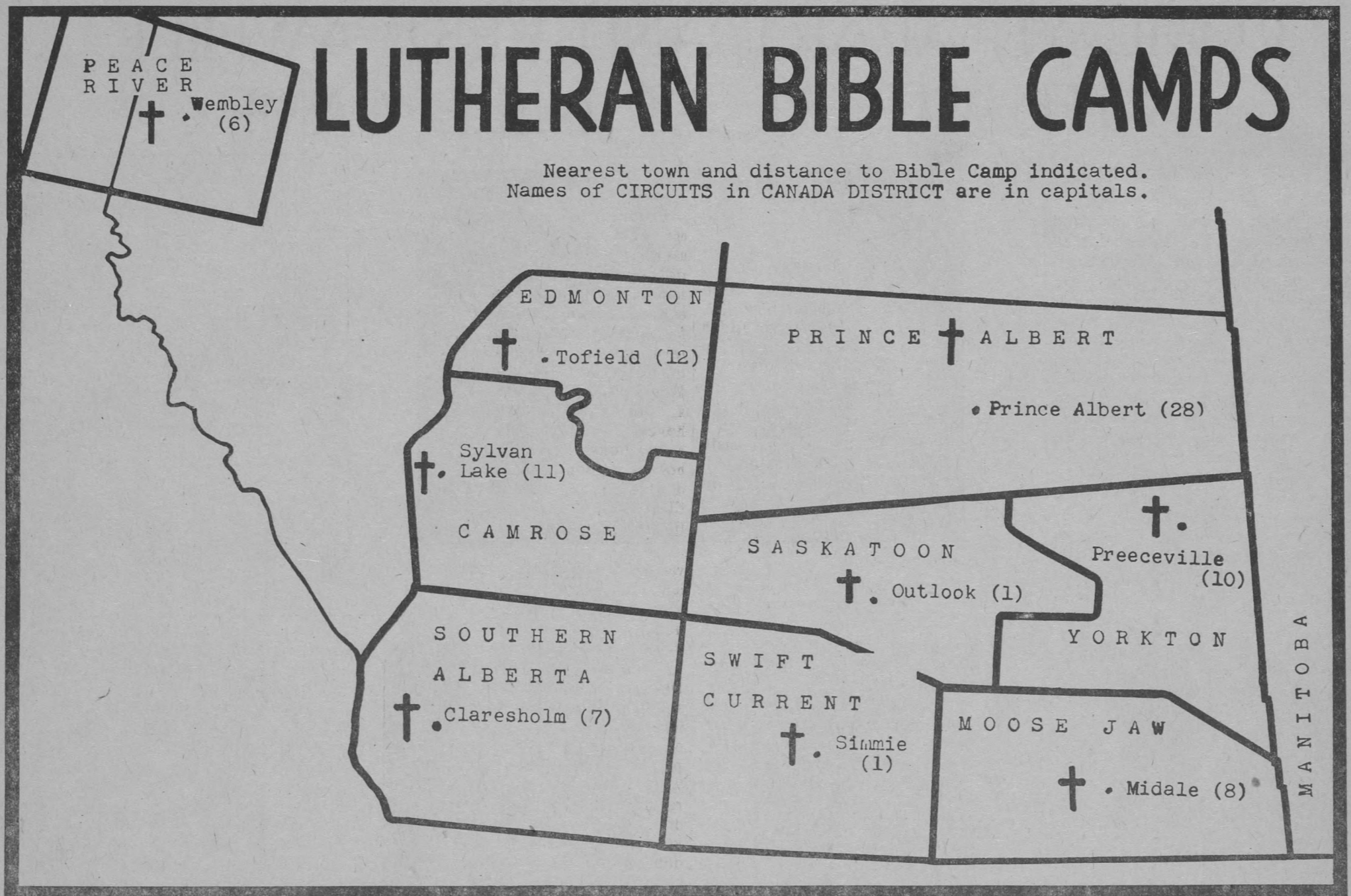
(7) Recognizing the great need of full-time workers in our church at home and abroad, all our Bible camps are urged to face our young people with the call to full-time service for Christ and His Church.

It is an inspiration to know that so many thousands of young people in our Church were reached in one camp season. Personal faith in Christ was revived and strengthened; hearts were consecrated to His service. Many felt the call to full-time service in the ministry and on the mission field. New enthusiasm for the Lord's work has since been evident in local congregations. Eternity alone will reveal the full fruit from this Bible study movement in our church. May God continue to use our Bible camps mightily "to hold and win our young people for Christ."

"Christianity is not the doing of certain things, but a certain way of doing everything."

The promises of God are the moulds into which we pour our prayers. — Christian Witness.





This tree that grows in the form of a cross is seen by all the Saskatoon Bible campers who meet below this tree for evening campfires, sing-songs, and testimonies. The tree is in the S.L.B.I. park adjoining the campus buildings.

## Testimonies by Bible Campers

"Matt. 11:28 can be applied to Bible Camp. 'Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest!' At Bible Camp we rest mentally and physically. I will enjoy Bible Camp more this year since accepting Christ. If any of you get the opportunity to go, do so as you will never regret it."

"Bible Camp meant much to me though at the time I didn't realize it. Although I didn't accept Christ at Bible Camp there was a call to repentance. I remember now Scripture passages we learned there which have taken in new meaning now. I am thankful for the blessings received there."

"I also have much to thank the Lord for as I had my eyes opened to the truth of Eph. 1:7. I can assure you that it is dangerous to go to Bible Camp if you plan to come back the same as you went."

"Bible Camp at Christopher Lake has meant very, very much to me in my Christian life. The first year I only went for one day. It was good to see the young people present and how happy they were. Years after I stayed a while longer. To be present at the group confer-

ences, quiet hours was inspiring. I remember the evening sing-songs down by the lake. It is wonderful to have Bible Camp by the lake. Part of the group would go out on the lake in boats and the other part stay on the shore. The group on shore would sing a verse of a song and the echo, as it were, would reply from out on the lake. 'My Jesus, I Love Thee, I know Thou art mine.' This was the testimony of the young people. The outlook for the

future is so good. The young people at camp are zealous for the Lord. My testimony must be that of Peter, 'Lord, it has been good for us to be here'."

"No place have I experienced so much refreshment as at Bible Camp. I was falling away but there is where the Lord got me before I went out into open sin. (Acts 4:20). Bible Camp is a great strengthening factor in a Christian life. (Acts 4:29). At Bible Camp



This is the happy group of Bible Campers who attended the Moose Jaw camp last year, Pastor S. Bue, manager.

## Come and Relax at Bible Camp

(Adapted From Youth's Favorite Poems)

Our lives to a very high pitch are keyed.  
Relaxation is what we need  
Come and relax at Bible Camp!

From the worries and care of a troublesome week,  
From the absence of peace and rest that you seek,  
From the maddening rush that is wearing you out,  
From crowds of people dashing about,  
Come and relax at Bible Camp!

From strict formalities cramping your style,  
Just come and be yourself for a while.  
No one will care if you spill your lunch,  
Or if your potato chips loudly you crunch.  
Come and relax at Bible Camp!

Come and relax from the boredom of work,  
From bothersome, grouchy people who irk.  
Come and relax with pleasant friends  
Where Joy and contentment have no ends.  
Come and relax at Bible Camp!

Joyous release from the daily grind,  
Rest for your mind and soul you will find.  
Come and relax at Bible Camp!

## The Bible Camp and The Church School

The Bible Camp is here to stay. It has proved of inestimable value in providing for young people a suitable atmosphere for Bible study and wholesome recreation. It gives a setting and opportunity for the harmonious and balanced development of character and helps to give us "a sound mind in a sound body."

The Church School receives applications from a large territory, from points that are a thousand miles apart. Naturally it is impossible to know the backgrounds of all those who wish to enter our schools. At Bible Camp we get in touch with many young people who are ready to enter high school. By taking part in their study and in their play we become a little acquainted with their problems and their aspirations and so we learn to understand them better. By gaining their confidence we may induce them to come to our church schools.

The Bible Camp is excellent recruiting ground for students for the church schools. There they learn to co-operate, they learn responsibility, they learn that religion is part of every day life, they learn that the ideal of young manhood and young womanhood is the young man and woman who have given themselves wholeheartedly to Christ. If we could have only that type of student at our schools, our problems would be solved. If we can get a fair percentage of that type of student, the Church School has a better chance of fulfilling its purpose.

It behooves all Christian educators to give their fullest support to the Bible Camp.

—George Moi.

I have also experienced that Christian boldness. (Acts 4:29). At Bible Camp workers are filled with the power of the Lord."

"My deepest impression is the nearness one feels to God. You cannot help but feel you are on holy ground. The advantage of being out in the open is that God manifests Himself in His creation. The fellowship at Camp is wonderful. Friendship with many Christians and fellowship with God is felt. My word to all of you is 'Come, come to Bible Camp.'"



Jeg er den gode Hyrde.  
Joh. 10:11

# THE SHEPHERD Hyrden

JEG ER DØREN TIL FAARENE.—Joh. 10:7

Den gode Hyrde setter sit  
liv til for faarene.  
Joh. 10-11

Wadena, Sask., Andet Nr. i Mai, 1946.

## Frykt Gud!

6 Søndag etter Paaske, Lukas 12:4-12

Kristendommens historie er i alle tider full av martyrfortellinger som lyder fjernt og fremmed for oss humane, pene og pyntelige mennesker for hvem religionsfrihet er blitt like-saa selvfølgelig som vaar dagsavis; men de hører likevel til den virkelighet som solen fremdeles skinner paa. Vi kan jo bare tenke paa hva som har gaatt for seg de siste aar i Europa. Og hva skjer ikke fremdeles i de land som Stalin har mørkelagt idag? Selv her paa berget hos oss foregaar det oftere enn vi tror, en stille, energisk kamp mellom de mennesker som vil leve sitt liv i gudsfrykt, og de som ikke for sitt liv vil taale kristendommen. Det gjelder ikke bare det aa spottes for sin kristne overbevisnings skyld. Den kristne overbevisning krever aa bli omsatt i praksis, og hvor den det gjør, i bestemte valg og avgjørelser i det daglige liv, der blir det ikke bare strid om meninger, men ogsaa smertelige praktiske sammenstøt og konflikter, slik at Jesu ord stadig paanytt faar gyldighet: Jeg er ikke kommet for aa bringe fred, men sverd.

I samfundskrigen kan kampens midler ofte føre med seg bitre samvittighetskvaler og plikt-kollisjoner for de som frykter Gud. Og ofte kan det komme til den haardeste prøve for et stakkars menneskebarns tro paa ham som har teltet vaare hodehaar. Dette er ofte smerteligst i familielivet og med hensyn til barneopdragelsen.

Jesus gir oss det raad han selv fulgte: Aa frykte Gud og ellers ingen. Hele Jesu liv stod under dette synspunkt: gudsfrykt. Han levte i fullkommen lydighet og avhengighet av sin himmelske Fader. Rundt omkring saa han alle de selvhjulpne og selvraadige. "Eders time er alltid forhaanden," sa han til sine brødre. Selv stod Jesus under sin Fars styre. For oss av naturen gudfjerne mennesker, bange for Gud, var han nesten uforstaaelig redd for aa ta sin lagnad i sin egen haand. (Man is man and master of his fate, sier vi arme mennesker saa stolt). Vi husker Jesu tilsynelatende haarde ord til sin mor i brylluppet i Kana, og til Peter som ba ham aa spare seg selv. Derfor sier forfatteren av Hebræerbrevet om Jesus at " . . . saaledes lærte han, skjønt han var Sønn, lydighet av det han led", ". . . og han ble bønnhørt for sin gudsfrykt" kap. 5:7-8.

Vi skal ligne Kristus i hans gudsfrykt. Var han i fare, hvor mye større er ikke faren for hver kristen! Religiøs panikk er ikke av det gode; den er av en ubestemt, overtroisk, sanseløs natur som gjør oss til forsikrede saueflokker under evneløs menneskeledelse. Men sann gudsfrykt, den Jesus taler om, er klarsynt og virkelighetstro, modig og sterk.

Gud er den største og høyeste virkelighet i verden, derfor er Guds vilje det eneste det kommer an paa. At være lydig mot Gud er ikke uten fare, men naar han er "ataat", hva gjør det saa? Alt annet er skinn og blendverk. Aa frykte Gud betyr ikke være redd ham, men aa gjøre alvaar av vaar tro paa hans tilværelse, almakt og vilje. Mange av oss, kanskje særlig prester og andre som omgaas kristendommens sannheter daglig, kjenner den religiøse sjelstilstand som mangler friskhet og umiddelbarhet. Ofte finner vi at vaar kristendom og dermed hele vaar haandtering av vaart personlige, egentlige liv, blir til en rutine, tankeløse haandgrep og død vane. Vi lever ikke kristenlivet, vi bare driver avsted og gaar i kretsgang—til kirke paa søndag, til bønnemøte og ungdomsmøte—uten maal, uten hverken angst eller haap. Og i mel-

## "LA DE SMAA BARN KOMME TIL MIG"

Av Pastor K. N. Tvedt

Det var begeistring i skolehuset den dag i midten av januar da jeg kom ditop for aa holde en liten avslutningstale. Ja, barn her er some barn andre steder: Det er begeistring naar ferien kommer. Ingen ferie her ved juletider. Men naar det nærmer sig det kinesiske nyaar, da blir det liv i leiren over hele landet. Kanskje verdens mektigste bevegelse. Naar aarets siste maaned melder sig, da kjøpes og selges, da maa regnskap oppgjøres, da maa det forberedes til fest, en fest vi ikke har make til. For dem som har raad, er det festligheter nærsagt henved en maaned.

Det er ogsaa noe for barna aa se hen til. Det vanker god mat, folkeleker og fornøielser og meget annet. Og alt dette innvarsles naar feriedagen kommer og de pakker sine skolesaker og farer hjem.

Da nyaarsdagen rant, blev en av de smaapikene som satt der paa benken og svarte saa kvikt paa spørsmålene som blev rettet til dem, syk med svære krampeanfoll. Intet middel bragte lindring eller lægedom.

I sine lidelser taler hun til foreldrene og sier: "Siste dagen paa skolen talte misjonæren om at Jesus vilde de smaa barn skulde komme til ham; for han var saa glad i dem. Og himmeriket hans det hørte dem til. Jeg vil til Jesus. Det er saa godt hos ham."

Saa maatte de hente presten. Og da piken vilde bli døpt til Jesu navn, skjedde det. Hun synes aa være overbevist selv om at hun skulde dø. Men troen og haapet lyste for henne. Og hun sovnet inn i fred.

Med nyaaret fikk vi en veldig snestorm. Den lille pikens hjem var fattig og hadde intet sted eller rum aa sette kisten, saa begravelsen maatte ske snarest mulig. Men med snestorm og daarlige veier kunde en ikke vente mange i følge. Vi var tre; med de fire som bar kisten, blev det syv i tallet.

Det var kaldt, men da de kastet til graven, tenkte jeg: En liten knopp som til Mesterens ære skal springe ut som en yndig rose naar opstandelsens morgen rinner. Og det fra en begravelses-plass midt i et hedningland.—Jeg gikk glad hjem ved tanken.

"Deilig det er aa tjene Gud, deilig for mann og for kvinne. Deilig aa kaste garnet ut hedningesjeler aa vinne." Ja det er det, venner.

Disse, som er særskilt begjærlige etter at faa fat paa andre eiendom, er utsat for at miste sin egen.

lomtiden har vi rikelig tid til aa gjøre livet surt for andre ved fordringsfulhet, negativ kritikk og degging for vaart eget kjære jeg.

Livsfriskheten, det sunde blikk, den levende sjelsreaksjon overfor godt og ondt, kampen for den evige krone, angsten for nederlaget, den levende frykt for aa synde mot Guds hellige vilje, hvor blir den av? Kort sagt: det som ditt Nye Testamente kaller ENFOLDIGHET—det beror alt paa at vi for alvaar tar oss til hjerte Jesu ord: Frykt for ham som har makt baade til aa slaa ihjel og til derefter aa kaste i helvede! Ja, sier jeg eder, for ham skal i frykte.

Menneskefrykt er en av de største farer for deg som vil være en kristen. "Er Gud for oss, hvem er da imot oss?" Rom. 8:31. "For Gud gav oss ikke motløshets aand". 2 Tim. 1:17. Det er verdens aand som vil lokke eller true deg til aa skamme deg over din gudsfrykt. Bed om aa bli fylt av Guds Aand.

H. Arnholt Strand.

## DØDE PREDIKENER

Prediken som dreper, kan være—og er ofte—ortodoks, dogmatisk, ufeilbar ortodoks. Vi elsker ortodoksi. Den er god. Den er best. Det er den renskaarne Guds ords lære, asndhetens seierstegn i dens kamp mot vildfarelsen, demningene som troen har reist mot de ødeleggende flodbølger av ærlig eller frekk vantro og tvil. Men ortodoksi, klar og haard som krystal, vaaken og kjempende, behøver dog ikke være noe andet end bare bokstav—velformet og lærd, bokstaven som slaa ihjel. Intet er saa dødt som død ortodoksi—altfor død til at forske, altfor død til at tenke—til studium og bøn.

Prediken som dreper, kan nok være i besiddelse av innsikt og klare begrep, av lærdom og kritisk sans og kjende alle grammatikkens minste detaljer og ogsaa være i stand til at drive formen op til det rent mønstergyldige som en Plato eller en Cicero. Den kan studere teksten som en jurist studerer sine tekstbøker forat formulere sin mening eller forsvare sin sak, og dog være som kulden—den drepende kulde. Bokstavpredikener kan være veltalende, prydet med poesi og retorik, tilsat litt bøn, krydet med en del sensasjon og belyst ved tankeklarhet og tross alt dette bare være den solide eller praktfulde ramme, de sjeldne og vakre blomster som dekker likkisten. Prediken som dreper, kan være uten noen lærdom og uten noe preg av tanke og følelse, smakløs og almindelig i sin form, sjusket, berørt hverken av lønkammer eller studium, ikke prydet hverken av tanker, form eller bøn. Hvor fuldstendig ødeleggende virker ikke en slik prediken! Hvilken forferdelig aandelig død.

Denne bokstavprediken behandler bare tingenes overflate og skygge, men ikke tingene selv. Den trenger ikke ind til det indre. Den har ingen innsikt i og intet begrep om det skjulte liv i Guds ord. Den er sand hvad overflaten angaar, men overflaten er det hylster som vi maa trenges os igjennem for at naa kjernen. Bokstaven kan bli utstyrt slik at den virker tiltalende og fin, men tiltrekningen blir ikke til Gud, og det er ikke himmelen som paa denne maate blir mer tiltalende. Feilen ligger hos predikanten. Gud har ikke dannet ham. Han har aldrig vært i Guds hender som leret i pottemakerens hender. Han har vært optat med predikenen, dens tanker og utformning fremførelse og virkningsfuldhet. Men dybdene i Gud er aldrig blit ransaket, gransket, forstaaet og oplevd av ham. Han har aldrig staaet foran den trone som er "høi og ophøiet," har aldrig hørt serafenes sang, aldrig seet eller følt sig gjennombevet av den guddommelige hellighet og ropt ut i følelse av at være fortaapt og fortvilet, i følelsen av sin svakhet og sin brøde, og der faat sit liv fornyet, sit hjerte berørt, rensket og oppløst av ilden fra Guds alter.

Hans forkyndelse kan nok trekke folk til hans egen person, til kirken, til form og sermoni, men ingen sand dragelse til Gud, intet salig, hellig og guddommelig samfund med ham. Menigheten har faat prydelser, men ikke oppbyggelse, den er blit behaget, men ikke helliggjort. Livet er blit undertrykt. Det er en kald strøm i sommerluften, jorden er blit forbrent. Guds stad er blit dødens stad, menigheten er blit en kirkegaard istedenfor en bevebnet armee. Lovprisning og bøn er stilnet av, tilbedelsen er død hen. Predikanten og hans prediken har fremmet synd, ikke hellighet, har befolket helvede, ikke himmelen.

Prediken som dreper, er prediken uten bøn. Uten bøn skaper predikan-

ten død og ikke liv. Den predikant som er svak i bøn, er svak naar det gjelder de livgivende krefter. Den predikant som har slappet av i bøn som det viktigste og mest fremher-skende trek i sin karakter, har berøvet sin prediken dens livgivende kraft. Formel og vanemessig bøn er jo fremdeles, men en saadan bøn vil bare hjelpe predikanten i hans dødbringende arbeid. Formel bøn virker drepende baade paa predikant og paa prediken. Meget av den mangelfulde hengivelse og uærbødige form i forsamlingsbønnen har sin grund i den daarlige, vannemessige bøn paa predikestolen. Lange, flakkende, tørre og tomme er bønnene fra mange talerstoler. Uten salvelse og uten hjerte falder de som drepende kulde over al virkelig tilbedelse. De er dødbringende bønner. Ethvert spor av hengivelse er gaat til grunde under deres aande. Jo dødere de er, desto lenger blir de. Det er behov for kort bøn, levende bøn, virkelig hjertebøn, bøn i den Hellige Aand—direkte, alvorlig, enkel, salvet. En skole der predikantene kunde lære at be, slik som Gud ønsker at bønnens skal være, vilde være mere gagnlig for virkelig fromhet og sand gudsdyrkelse og ret forkyndelse end alle teologiske skoler.

Stans! Se! Tenk! Hvor er vi? Hvad gjør vi? Prediker vi død, ber vi saa døden blir følger! Bøn til Gud!—verdets Skaper, alle menneskers dommer! Hvilken ærefrykt! Hvor ukensstlet! Hvor opriktig! Hvilken sandhet i hjertets inderste den krever! Hvor sande vi maa være! Hvor modige! Bøn til Gud er den edleste gjerning, et menneskes høieste bestrebelse, det mest virkelige av alt! Skal vi ikke for al tid forkaste den prediken som dreper, den bøn som dreper, og begynde paa denne virkelige, mektige ting—bøn; livgivende prediken setter de veldigste krefter i virksomhet i himmel og paa jord, og henter sin hjelp fra Guds uuttømmelige og aapne skatkammer, til menneskenes nød og fattigdom.

Av E. M. Bounds.  
—Broderbaandet. B. T.

## SOMMERENS TØRKE

Hvor ofte høres ikke dette uttrykk i forbindelse med sommertiden. Det er nesten blit et slagord til undskyldning for aandelig sløvhet er viss tid paa aaret.

Men dette er en farlig slutning og anvendelse av dette bibelske uttrykk. Det har en ganske anden betydning. Sommerens tørke i denne betydning er en følge av synd og fald og som forbedring søke at dekke, tie ned og ikke bekjende synden for Gud.

Det er en fryktelig stilling. Og den kan indtreffe alle tider paa aaret om du ikke holder til ved naadestolen, vaaker og ber, kjære leser! Og da forsvinder al fred, glede, haap og tro, kraft og hvile. Livssaften borttæres.

Hvad det aandelige liv i sommertiden angaar, saa er det ingenting som begrunder et avtagende. Hvorfor skulde det ogsaa det? Alle naadens kilder staaar os aapne hele aaret. Gud stenger ikke igjen, han tar ikke "ferie".

Men tar du "ferie" med at drikke av kilden og nære din sjel, saa blir ogsaa følgen tørhet i aanden. Vaak derfor over dit hjerteliv i sommertiden og bruk naademidlene. Fornekt dig ogsaa alt som hindrer dig i dette. Misbruk ikke "friheten" paa det aandelige livs bekostning. En kristen bør først og fremst søke sjelens fred og styrkelse i troen. Da lever han godt.

—A. H. H.

Du er min hyrde, som saa mild og trofast vilde hente min arme sjel da den for vill og bort fra dig sig vendte. O, vøkt nu vel ditt ringe faar at fra din hjord ei bort jeg gaar, men himlen visst maa vente!



## The Christian in the World, But Not of the World

(Prize winning article in Luther League Contest)

I John 2:15: "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world the love of the Father is not in him."

Titus 2:12: "Teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world."

Romans 12:2: "And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Galatians 5:16: "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh."

II Cor. 6:14: "But be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers, for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness, and what communion hath light with darkness?"

II Cor. 6:17: "Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you."

Isaiah 52:11: "Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from them, touch no unclean thing, go ye out of the midst of her, be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the Lord."

I Cor. 15:58: "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord."

Ephesians 5:6-7: "Let no man deceive you with vain words, for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience."

"Be not ye therefore partakers with them."

Ephesians 5:11: "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful words of darkness. But rather reprove them."

Phil. 2:14-15: "Do all things without murmurings and disputings."

"That ye may be blameless and harmless the sons of God, without rebuke in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation; among whom ye shine as lights in the world."

I Thes. 5:21-22: "Prove all things, hold fast to that which is good."

James 1:27: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

James 4:4: "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God, whosoever therefore would be a friend of the world is the enemy of God?"

John 15:19: "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own, but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hated you."

Amos 5:15: "Hate the evil and love the good."

I John 4:4: "Ye are of God, little children and have overcome them, because greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world."

I John 5:4: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

Ephesians 6:1-12: "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

—Lily Tunem, Wetaskiwin, Alberta.

The second prize goes to Miss Leona Erlandson, Winnipeg, and the third prize to Mr. Earl Foster, Sexsmith, Alberta. The Christian books are being mailed to them.

"Grace is the cream of God's love—rich with spiritual vitamins from the heart of God—able to destroy every germ of sin."—Henry J. Wingblade.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S LUTHER LEAGUE

G. LOKEN, Editor, Outlook, Sask.

### Christian Fellowship

Christian fellowship is not fellowship of righteousness with unrighteousness but it is the children of God associating with one another. Just as politicians love to get together with other politicians, and teachers with teachers, doctors with doctors, so do Christians love to get together with other Christians. There is something in every individual, none the less in Christians, which desires the friendship, the fellowship and companionship of others—especially with those of like ideas, aims and faith.

There is much value in getting together. Every believer feels his or her life is weak and is in need of strengthening. That is just what fellowshiping does. The Christians are a comparatively small flock and often where they are serving they are standing alone. There will be and are problems that each one meets. But discussing these perplexing problems with someone of the world would not clarify the problem at all. It is good to discuss one's difficulties with others who, too, are working for the Master.

Christians also share their experiences. Yes, it is good to have someone to confide in. Don't you suppose the apostles when they came together often did that?

Not only are the lives of Christians strengthened in these ways but also when, as a group, they assemble for a prayer meeting. It may take much grit and courage to pray before others but it certainly is well worth it.

Another place of fellowship is the church. "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." There they meet week after week to worship God. The Christian spirit is really evident when one hears them sing:

"Blest be the tie that binds  
Our hearts in Christian love,  
The fellowship of kindred minds,  
Is like to that above.  
Before our Father's throne  
We pour our ardent prayers,  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims, are one,  
Our comforts and our cares.  
We share our mutual woes,  
Our mutual burdens bear  
And often for each other flows  
The sympathizing tear."

As Christians today we can have the same fellowship as the early Christians in the days of the apostles. "They continued steadfastly in the the apostles teaching and fellowship and in breaking of bread and in prayer." What a splendid opportunity we have this summer as Luther Leaguers to meet at Bible Camps, and at our District Convention in Christian fellowship!

—Juverna Olson.

### Canadian Singers: Take Note!

Yes, your Choral Union executive are hoping that many of you will be there to "take note" at the rehearsal, and the concert Sunday afternoon of the District YPLL Convention at Moose Jaw. Have you marked that on your calendar yet? It is July 28! Also have you sent for the sheet music numbers to be used? You'll find them listed in "The Shepherd" Choral Union insert, the second number in February. We hope you read that from beginning to end. If not hunt it up and get at it.

Please, take the time to practice these numbers in your local choir, or by yourself, so you will be more prepared to sing together.

There is another announcement too, to direct your attention to. You will find it on page 411 of the April 16th issue of "Lutheran Herald". Those of you who plan to attend the General Convention of the Church, W.M.F., or L.D.R., would experience a thrill of a lifetime to sing in celebration of the Centennial of the Church. Plan early! E. Haave, C.U. pres.

### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The end of another month is at hand. How rapidly these month-ends follow after each other! In truth we need to earnestly pray with the psalmist, "So teach us to number our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom." Luther Leaguers aflush with youthful vim, vigor and vitality need to pray that prayer too. Have you prayed it?

At the risk of tedious repetition certain matters are mentioned here very briefly:

Has your league made a contribution to Lutheran World Action?

What is it doing in response to the appeal from Canadian Lutheran World Relief.

Our District Faith in Action Project is expanding its program to include the support of five parish workers.

Pastor T. Maakestad will spend a month this summer in the Prince Albert Circuit conducting evangelistic services.

Our Lutheran Teachers' Directory secretaries are Miss Judith Ree, Camrose, Alberta, and Miss Clara Haugen, Outlook, Sask.

The dates for the series of Workers' Conferences to be held again this fall are October 6 to 20. Be sure to keep these two weeks clear of other engagements.

Remember to make use of all our district officers in your local parish, the matter of the officers to be elected or circuit Luther League rallies.

Begin to think and pray now about our convention. The convention establishes the general policies of the district Luther League. However, it is the elected officers that are responsible for carrying into effect these policies. They are the leaders whom others will follow. Hence, the choice of officers is an important matter. Therefore, pray, pray much for God's guidance in everything pertaining to our convention.

See you at Bible Camp.—G. O. E.

### An Open Letter to All Luther Leaguers

Dear Leaguers:

I wish you could have sat in our committee meetings when we made our preliminary plans for our big convention in our city during this coming summer. None of us know such an awful lot about such a convention, because we haven't been able to attend one. We are happy that you are coming to Moose Jaw this year, because we know there will be many blessings for us through the Word of God and through our fellowship with Christian Leaguers. So we are planning and working that this convention may be very successful.

Our housing committee is going to write to every pastor and every Lutheran League president to try to get preliminary information as to how many will be coming and where they will wish to stay. Moose Jaw is a very crowded city, rooms are very hard to get, so we hope that you will all write us telling us how many will be coming from your league. We will be able to take care of some of you in private homes, others will have to stay in the Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A., hotels and the tourist camp cottages. We are hoping that some of the leaguers will bring tents that you can put up in our beautiful tourist park. When we write to you, will you answer?

Our Central Lutheran Church only seats about 180 people comfortably. Our pastor says we are going to have the Sunday services (and others if there are too many people for our church) in Zion United Church. That church is right around the corner from ours and seats a thousand people. So there will be plenty of room at the services. I know that it will be a thrill to hear our Choral Union singing our Lutheran music in Zion

Church with its beautiful pipe organ.

The executive of our local league is going to make all the arrangements for the big P.T.L. outing on Saturday afternoon. We plan to hold that down along the Moose Jaw River in River Park. There we can be pretty much alone midst the trees. I can imagine what it will sound like to hear our hymns sung around the fire by our Canada Luther Leaguers.

I am sure that you will enjoy coming to Moose Jaw. We call ourselves the "Friendly City". Although we are not the largest Saskatchewan city, we are the most industrial, we do have the nicest parks. (That's what visitors tell us.)

"Christ wants you" is a great theme. We pray that many of our Leaguers at this convention will hear that message and surrender to His call. Will you join in making that your prayer?

See you in Moose Jaw, July 25-28.

—A Moose Jaw Leaguer.

### Luther League Officers and Their Church Paper

It is important that every officer in the local Luther League be a regular reader of the Church Paper. Especially should they read the Luther League columns as edited by Mr. Loken. I find that many of them do not have The Shepherd in their homes. From the names and addresses that were received from the Circuit presidents some time ago the following results have been computed, by circuits:

Circuit	% local officers subscribing	% circuit officers subscribing
Camrose	48	70
Edmonton	48	—
Prince Albert	65	100
Saskatoon	85	100
Swift Current	18	75
Yorkton	95	100
Southern Alberta	—	60
Moose Jaw	60	—

I have started right in to send out sample copies to those who do not have The Shepherd. Will the rest of you try to encourage and persuade that those who are to be the leaders in the local league be not without this help to them in their work? And then it does not simply mean to send a fifty cent piece and then let it go at that. Your Church Paper has to be renewed from time to time, or rather every two years with a dollar. Some of you young people could well subscribe for ten years at a time. Others have done it, but they are mostly elderly people.

Take to yourself the command and the promise found in the fourth stanza of hymn number 392 in the Concordia and then go ahead with the chorus of that grand hymn. Don't sing the first two and the last verse at your next League meeting, sing all five verses and sing them with a vigor that makes them meaningful. Publish glad tidings.

—Josef B. Haave.

### Delegates to District Luther League Convention

Our District Convention at Moose Jaw, July 25 to 28, warrants more than an announcement. This should be the climatic event of our Luther League work this year. Every local league from Peace River to Winnipeg should be represented. Our constitution states that a local league is entitled to one delegate for each ten members or fraction thereof. Thus if your local has 23 members, it is entitled to three delegates. Pastors and circuit and local presidents are asked to especially note this provision for our constitution.

—G. O. E.

Make yourself an honest man, and then you may be sure that there is one rascal less in the world.—Carlyle.